



## 319 Eligibility Requirements

Nonpoint Source Management Program

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Some of you may have participated in last month's Webinar or webcast for tribes which gave overviews of various CWA programs. This webinar is part of that series, but instead we'll be focusing on the CWA section 319 eligibility requirements for funding.

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**AGENDA**

**1:00 – 1:10 Introduction**  
Facilitator: Elicia Blumberg, Tetra Tech

**1:10 – 1:25 Overview of CWA Section 319 Grant Program and Guidelines**  
Speaker: Tiffany Eastman, EPA Region 9


**1:25 – 1:45 Treatment in the Same Manner as a State (“TAS”)**  
Speaker: Rodger Field, EPA Region 5

**1:45 – 2:10 Nonpoint Source Assessment Report and Management Plan Development**  
Speaker: Mike Bira, EPA Region 6







**2:10 – 2:25 Tribal Case Study—Developing Eligibility Documents**  
Speaker: Gretchen Watkins, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians

**2:25 – 2:30 Wrap-Up**

**2:30 – 3:00 Optional Q&A**



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**The Objectives of today’s webinar are to:**

Discuss 319 eligibility requirements including treatment in a manner similar to a state,

And learn about developing or revising NPS assessment reports and management plans.

We’ll hear a case study from the Lac du Flambeau (*flamBO*) Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. We’ll then have an optional 30 minute Q&A after the wrap-up and announcements of upcoming 319 training.

Although this webinar is certainly open to tribes at all stages of the program, the intended audience are those tribes who may be interested in becoming eligible for 319 funding, as well as participants who may just be interested in learning about the effects of NPS pollution and some basic mitigation practices.



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## Today's Presenters



**Elicia Blumberg, Tetra Tech**



**Mike Bira, EPA R6**



**Tiffany Eastman, EPA R9**



**Rodger Field, EPA R5**



**Gretchen Watkins, Lac du Flambeau**









**Tiffany:** Tiffany Eastman is the EPA Region 9 Tribal Nonpoint Source Program Coordinator. She has worked at EPA for more than 7 years as a grants project officer for water grants including CWA 106, CWA 319, and CWA 104(b)(3) Wetlands for many tribes throughout the Pacific Southwest.

**Rodger:** Rodger Field-- is a graduate of Bowdoin College ("*Bow*" "*Din*") and Indiana University School of Law and has worked in the Office of Regional Counsel in U.S. EPA's Chicago Office (Region 5) since 1984. Prior to that, he was an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. He has worked with all of the major environmental statutes. Since 1999, he has worked primarily on tribal issues. We would also like to take this opportunity to say congratulations to Rodger, who is retiring this September. For many years, Roger has served as one of the primary Region 5 attorneys for Indian country issues. Roger has been a champion for Indian tribes and has contributed greatly to the implementation of EPA programs in Indian country and the development of tribal environmental programs. We wish him well in his life after EPA!

**Mike:** Since 1990 Mike Bira has been in the Water Quality Protection Division for EPA Region 6. Mike's current responsibilities include serving as Nutrient Coordinator, Volunteer Monitoring Coordinator, and technical lead for Nonpoint Source Program implementation in the State of Oklahoma. As Volunteer Monitoring Coordinator for the Region, Mike has been actively involved with citizen monitoring programs, and assisting states and communities with addressing water quality problems through the Watershed Approach.

**Gretchen:** Gretchen Watkins is the Water Resource Specialist/Hydrologist for the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Indians since 2004. She received her B.S. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and her M.S. in environmental engineering from Michigan Technological University. Ms. Watkins works to develop sound scientific investigations to support management decisions to protect Lac du Flambeau water resources for the coming seven generations.



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